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In re Application of: ~

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior to examination, please amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 2 paragraph 10, lines 25-26, please amend as follows:

--10. B. Beizer, Software Testing Techniques, Second Edition, International Thomson Computer Press, 1990.--

Attached is a version with markings to show the changes made.

REMARKS

The above amendment is made to correct a clerical error.

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10. B. Beizer. Software Testing Techniques. Van Nostrand Reinhold, Second Edition. International Thomson Computer Press 1990.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [] Amendment [X]PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- 1 No additional fee is required.
- The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
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The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed.

Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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